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DEPUTIES' MEETING

Monday, 13 December 1954

PRESENT: Messrs. Dulles, Wisner, Amory, Colonel White, Messrs. Kirkpatrick, Helms, Sheldon, Bissell and [REDACTED]

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Mr. Dulles;

a. Referred to the debriefing of Senator Ellender today and noted that in his opinion there were too many people present. The Director said we should keep attendance at briefings and debriefings to an absolute minimum in order that the principals might feel more free to talk and ask questions.

b. Asked Mr. Bissell to prepare a letter to Mr. Dodge and briefly outline his thoughts on what this letter should contain. The Director said there was no immediate urgency about this, but he would like to see the draft during the last week of this month. 12-28-54

c. Noted he had seen the Secretary of State over the weekend and the Secretary had asked that CIA consider what courses of action might be open in the event the ChiComs refuse to see Dag Hammarskjold. The Director said he felt this could best be handled by a Task Force composed of representatives from both sides of the Agency, and steered by Mr. Bissell. The Director made it clear he wanted all suggestions to be considered and noted that the over-all plan dealing with this problem would be a matter for the OCB [REDACTED]

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h. [redacted] Noted that during his brief conversation with [redacted] on 10 December [redacted] had indicated that Professor [redacted] who is an expert in rockets, might be of interest to CIA and in particular we might wish to make use of a project he now has under consideration. Mr. Amory undertook to follow through on this.

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j. Raised the subject of sending CIA Christmas cards to the chiefs of the several foreign intelligence agencies and other foreign officials with whom we deal, and after some discussion it was agreed that this should not be done. The Director said if any of our people strongly felt Christmas greetings should be sent to foreign nationals, he thought this should be accomplished by a brief classified note from him to the individual concerned, and that such notes should, of course, be sent through the Pouch. The Director also said if it was necessary for him to acknowledge any greetings we might receive, this should be accomplished by personal classified notes from him through the Pouch.

Mr. Wisner:

a. Noted that [redacted] is here and had indicated he wished to see the Director. The Director said he would do this at home

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25X1 at [] Mr. Wisner is to be
present. In the meantime, DD/P undertook to furnish the
25X1 Director a memorandum of conversation [] had with
[] and also the briefing memorandum prepared by [] and
25X1 which the Director has seen and returned to DD/P. Mr. Wisner
also raised the question as to whether it would be necessary
for [] to be present at the above-mentioned meeting. The
Director indicated it would not.

25X1 b. Reported that the Senior Representative [] had
requested authority to expend from his Station Entertainment
25X1 Fund the sum of \$1,000 as CIA's share in a party to be given
for [] on his departure []
25X1 said there would, of course, be numerous foreign nationals
present at this party and that actually it was being given by
the six U.S. governmental agencies represented [] After
25X1 some discussion it was agreed that the Senior Representative,
[] would be advised that CIA would pay 1/6th as its pro rata
share.

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